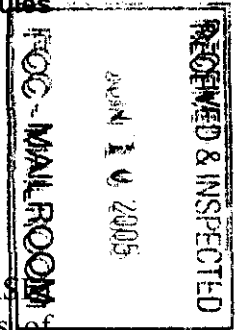


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COMMENT TO DOCKET:

Telephone Consumer Protection Act - Docket 02-278 -- Whether to revise FCC rules governing telephone solicitations and fax advertisements

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Via a relay services call to the FCC, Mr. Pribytkov, an American Sign Language (ASL) and TTY user, recommends the FCC changes its regulations to address the needs of persons with hearing disabilities.

He states that he receives numerous unwanted telemarketing calls to his TTY number. Since he cannot afford Caller ID, he cannot identify the calling origination numbers.

He states that these calls are annoying and continue even though he has his TTY number listed in the national Do-Not-Call (DNC) Directory.

He states he cannot identify the telemarketers as he cannot talk back to them when they call and ask to be put on their DNC lists, nor can he hear if a recorded auto-dialer provides a return phone number call back for the same purpose.

Additionally, he states that he does not have *69 or other call number identifying service with his TTY device and does not know if TTY devices have this capacity or not.

He adds that his local phone company does not provide any assistance with this problem when he asked for these calls to be traced and identified so he could advise the telemarketing callers to stop calling him; they say that calls for tracing need a special law enforcement authority.

Mr. Pribytkov recommends that the FCC changes its regulations to allow local phone companies to trace such calls incoming to his home from telemarketers so he can go about contacting these businesses to let them know he doesn't want to receive further calls. He states that this would greatly assist persons with hearing disabilities who are TTY users and who cannot capture the phone numbers the way persons without hearing disabilities can learn who the incoming calls are from.

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